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INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1969

This bulletin contains statistics of industrial disputes for the quarter ended 30 September 1969.

The statistics of industrial disputes refer only to disputes involving a stoppage of work of ten man-days or more. The Australian figures include disputes occurring in the Northern Territory and the Australian Capital Territory. Workers indirectly involved are employees thrown out of work at the establishments where the stoppages occurred but not themselves parties to the dispute. For the estimated loss in wages shown in Table 2, any discrepancies between totals and the sums of industry groups are due to rounding.

An industrial dispute occurring in more than one State is counted as a separate dispute in each State. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry group in a State or Territory is counted once only in the number of disputes - in the industry group that has the largest number of workers involved; but workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages are allocated to their respective industry groups. Disputes not settled at the end of a year are included as new disputes in the figures for the following year. Disputes not settled at the end of a quarter are not counted in the number of disputes for the following quarter, but additional workers involved and working days and wages lost are included.

For further information about these statistics see Labour Report No. 52, 1965 and 1966.

TABLE 1. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : AUSTRALIA

Period	Number	Workers involved			Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages (\$'000)
		Directly	Indirectly	Total	Number	Average per worker involved	
1964	1,334	528,817	16,811	545,628	911,358	1.67	8,561
1965	1,346	460,234	14,810	475,044	815,869	1.72	8,198
1966	1,273	384,970	9,881	394,851	732,084	1.85	7,302
1967	1,340	472,169	11,105	483,274	705,315	1.46	7,263
1968	1,713	700,824	19,497	720,321	1,079,464	1.50	12,115
1967 Sept. qtr	348	182,554	6,051	188,605	333,679	1.77	3,497
Dec. "	293	51,261	1,488	52,749	108,011	2.05	1,170
1968 March qtr	370	218,653	6,471	225,124	378,602	1.68	4,031
June "	451	133,003	5,133	138,136	222,322	1.61	2,757
Sept. "	468	160,877	2,883	163,760	237,390	1.45	2,627
Dec. "	424	188,291	5,010	193,301	241,150	1.25	2,700
1969 March qtr	498	184,293	23,602	207,895	332,878	1.60	3,938
June "	401	729,574	4,607	734,181	968,634	1.32	10,783
Sept. "	573	136,291	6,465	142,756	284,809	2.00	3,493

NOTE. For definitions, particulars of coverage of these statistics, etc. see text above.



TABLE 2. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRY GROUPS, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1969

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
NUMBER OF DISPUTES							
Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	63	..	3	..	..	..	6
Other mining and quarrying	4	..	..	..	4	3	14
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	105	29	21	9	..	1	165
Textiles, clothing and footwear	3	1	..	..	..	..	4
Food, drink and tobacco	21	8	14	2	4	..	49
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	1	..	..	..	..	..	1
Paper, printing, etc.	6	1	..	..	..	..	7
Other manufacturing	38	21	4	3	1	..	67
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	174	60	39	14	5	1	293
Building and construction	29	24	10	3	6	4	78
Railway and tramway services	1	..	1	..	..	..	2
Road and air transport	10	1	1	..	1	1	15
Shipping	9	3	4	1	2	..	19
Stevedoring	30	18	6	1	3	..	60
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	8	..	..	..	..	..	8
Other industries (b)	8	6	1	2	1	..	18
<u>TOTAL</u>	336	112	65	21	22	9	573

## WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY)

Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	9,427	..	209	..	..	..	9,636
Other mining and quarrying	3,432	..	..	..	1,528	599	6,375
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	23,940	8,278	2,960	1,437	..	107	36,722
Textiles, clothing and footwear	1,248	158	..	..	..	..	1,406
Food, drink and tobacco	4,215	1,923	4,232	931	307	..	11,608
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Paper, printing, etc.	767	1,933	..	..	..	..	2,700
Other manufacturing	9,169	11,497	184	921	37	..	21,808
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	39,357	23,789	7,376	3,289	344	107	74,262
Building and construction	14,371	3,779	584	296	2,113	380	22,083
Railway and tramway services	37	..	862	..	..	..	899
Road and air transport	1,717	18	7	..	35	9	1,794
Shipping	693	146	326	14	80	..	1,259
Stevedoring	9,843	10,091	2,503	506	35	..	23,258
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	369	..	..	..	..	..	369
Other industries (b)	1,375	435	8	934	69	..	2,821
<u>TOTAL</u>	80,621	38,258	11,875	5,039	4,204	1,095	142,756

(a) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory. (b) Includes Communications; Finance and property; Wholesale and retail trade; Public authority (n.e.i.) and Community and business services.

NOTE. For definitions, particulars of coverage of these statistics, etc. see page 1.

TABLE 2. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : INDUSTRY GROUPS, SEPTEMBER QUARTER 1969 - continued

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust. (a)
WORKING DAYS LOST							
Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	12,976	..	295	..	..	..	13,271
Other mining and quarrying	5,959	..	..	..	3,385	784	11,009
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	62,583	12,977	5,221	1,622	..	321	82,724
Textiles, clothing and footwear	4,621	211	..	..	..	..	4,832
Food, drink and tobacco	10,721	2,913	7,288	1,231	220	..	22,373
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	18	..	..	..	..	..	18
Paper, printing, etc.	1,264	11,232	..	..	..	..	12,496
Other manufacturing	20,179	25,971	287	2,206	15	..	48,658
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	99,386	53,304	12,796	5,059	235	321	171,101
Building and construction	24,535	9,206	2,284	1,619	7,906	1,245	47,886
Railway and tramway services	444	..	102	..	..	..	546
Road and air transport	14,404	43	29	..	120	18	14,651
Shipping	1,246	525	358	46	521	..	2,696
Stevedoring	4,690	11,819	460	19	35	..	17,262
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	741	33	..	..	..	..	774
Other industries (b)	2,082	1,805	16	1,694	16	..	5,613
<u>TOTAL</u>	166,463	76,735	16,340	8,437	12,218	2,368	284,809

## ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES (\$'000)

Agriculture, grazing, etc.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Coal mining	151.7	..	4.9	..	..	..	156.6
Other mining and quarrying	105.5	..	..	..	53.5	10.2	181.0
Manufacturing -							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	716.1	163.6	56.3	19.0	..	3.2	958.2
Textiles, clothing and footwear	56.7	2.3	..	..	..	..	58.9
Food, drink and tobacco	105.3	36.1	79.4	13.5	2.5	..	236.9
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	0.2	..	..	..	..	..	0.2
Paper, printing, etc.	15.2	141.5	..	..	..	..	156.6
Other manufacturing	223.9	359.2	3.5	26.4	0.2	..	613.2
<u>Total manufacturing</u>	1,117.4	702.6	139.2	58.9	2.7	3.2	2,024.0
Building and construction	287.8	145.1	28.6	18.6	113.5	20.0	637.8
Railway and tramway services	4.9	..	1.0	..	..	..	5.9
Road and air transport	189.9	0.5	0.6	..	3.1	0.2	194.9
Shipping	13.3	3.4	6.6	0.5	5.5	..	29.3
Stevedoring	52.5	132.5	5.7	0.2	0.4	..	193.9
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	8.2	0.4	..	..	..	..	8.6
Other industries (b)	24.2	21.9	0.2	14.5	0.2	..	61.0
<u>TOTAL</u>	1,955.4	1,006.3	186.8	92.8	178.8	33.6	3,492.9

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TABLE 3. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : STATES

Period	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Australia (a)
NUMBER OF DISPUTES							
1964	828	206	198	55	26	8	1,334
1965	832	208	186	48	33	17	1,346
1966	835	179	171	42	25	14	1,273
1967	836	212	159	55	26	29	1,340
1968	965	327	193	83	70	28	1,713
1968 - Sept. qtr	277	85	49	18	21	5	468
Dec. "	233	73	56	21	22	4	424
1969 - March qtr	280	87	61	21	33	6	498
June "	215	78	55	9	22	13	401
Sept. "	336	112	65	21	22	9	573
WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY)							
1964	229,076	190,075	92,696	23,040	6,165	1,898	545,628
1965	251,056	121,798	53,569	28,466	12,611	5,131	475,044
1966	210,016	101,490	68,731	8,760	2,876	2,541	394,851
1967	320,241	84,521	46,251	17,447	5,071	6,207	483,274
1968	355,479	172,803	120,180	39,418	18,684	7,767	720,321
1968 - Sept. qtr	62,460	28,708	61,831	5,104	3,695	944	163,760
Dec. "	102,797	44,241	22,456	11,361	8,956	701	193,301
1969 - March qtr	102,748	55,824	23,762	8,324	15,567	648	207,895
June "	220,363	215,191	164,921	82,865	32,307	5,349	734,181
Sept. "	80,621	38,258	11,875	5,039	4,204	1,095	142,756
WORKING DAYS LOST							
1964	320,568	359,567	157,571	62,785	7,148	1,939	911,358
1965	367,942	214,300	189,941	26,379	10,020	3,894	815,869
1966	400,111	219,605	80,692	20,903	6,239	3,119	732,084
1967	468,034	107,312	88,186	18,691	5,994	7,290	705,315
1968	583,406	243,924	158,615	51,082	21,762	13,037	1,079,464
1968 - Sept. qtr	104,308	51,003	67,214	6,355	4,776	1,972	237,390
Dec. "	128,539	51,616	33,614	11,952	10,020	2,394	241,150
1969 - March qtr	169,097	90,412	25,112	16,755	30,292	672	332,878
June "	259,830	396,383	174,469	82,091	37,084	5,450	968,634
Sept. "	166,463	76,735	16,340	8,437	12,218	2,368	284,809
ESTIMATED LOSS IN WAGES (\$'000)							
1964	2,996.2	3,428.2	1,453.3	585.2	62.6	18.0	8,560.9
1965	3,479.1	2,061.6	2,221.2	253.3	100.8	41.4	8,198.5
1966	4,026.0	2,097.2	860.8	199.7	64.5	34.8	7,302.5
1967	4,804.6	1,106.6	886.7	199.0	62.6	82.3	7,263.1
1968	6,653.5	2,731.3	1,701.2	514.6	281.8	149.0	12,115.2
1968 - Sept. qtr	1,133.3	608.8	719.8	66.2	54.6	24.8	2,627.4
Dec. "	1,406.5	576.1	372.4	113.6	160.7	35.7	2,700.4
1969 - March qtr	1,999.8	1,073.5	281.6	196.9	371.1	8.3	3,937.7
June "	2,921.5	4,517.5	1,778.1	939.5	420.4	56.3	10,782.7
Sept. "	1,955.4	1,006.3	186.8	92.8	178.8	33.6	3,492.9

(a) Includes Northern Territory and Australian Capital Territory.

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